

State Water Resources Control Board

March 17, 2016

(Via email and Certified Mail)
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Ms. Judy Croteau
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**SUBJECT: NOTICE OF VIOLATION; UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK SYSTEMS
LOCATED AT SAN BERNARDINO FIRE STATION 231, 450 EAST VANDERBILT,
SAN BERNARDINO**

Dear Ms. Croteau:

As part of an initiative by the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to ensure compliance at government-owned and/or operated underground storage tank (UST) facilities in California, the State Water Board staff inspected the USTs at your facility on March 10, 2016, pursuant to authority under Health and Safety Code (H&SC), chapter 6.7, section 25289.

The State Water Board has identified the following violations pursuant to H&SC, chapter 6.7, and title 23, California Code of Regulations (CCR), chapter 16:

No.	Violation	Tank	Start Date	Stop Date	Regulation
1	Failure to Maintain Financial Responsibility – A Certificate of Financial Responsibility and the Letter from the Chief Financial Officer are required for this facility.	Tank 1	March 10, 2016	Ongoing	H&SC 25292.2; 23 CCR 2711(a)(11)
2	Failure to Provide Designated Operator Training – At least one trained facility employee must be present during operation hours. A 24-hour facility requires multiple employees be trained by the designated operator.	Tank 1	March 10, 2016	Ongoing	23 CCR 2715(f)(2)
3	Failure to Maintain Monitoring Records On-Site – The annual monitoring certification records were not available at the time of the inspection for years 2013, 2014, and 2015.	Tank 1	March 10, 2016	Ongoing	23 CCR 2712(b)

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4	Failure to Monitor Product Piping – The piping sump sensor is not able to detect a leak at the earliest possible opportunity because the sensor is not placed in lowest part of the sump.	Tank 1	March 10, 2016	Ongoing	23 CCR 2630(d)

You are directed to correct the ongoing violations and submit compliance documentation to the State Water Board and the San Bernardino County Fire Department within sixty (60) days from the date of this letter. Have your Designated Operator make specific notations in the next monthly designated operator report indicating the ongoing violations have been corrected. The monthly designated operator report and any associated photos must be submitted as proof of compliance.

Please send all compliance documentation to the following:

State Water Board

Mr. Thomas Henderson
UST Enforcement Unit
Office of Enforcement
State Water Resources Control Board
1001 I Street, 16th Floor
Sacramento, California 95814
tom.henderson@waterboards.ca.gov

Local CUPA

Mr. Greg Beach
Supervising HMS
San Bernardino County Fire Department
620 South "E" Street
San Bernardino, California 92415-0153
gbeach@sbcfire.org

Pursuant to Health and Safety Code, chapter 6.7, section 25299, the owner and operator of the tank(s) are liable for a penalty of \$500 to \$5,000 per tank, per day of violation. These penalties will continue to accrue until the violations have been corrected.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (916) 341-5551, or by email at amantha.henkel@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



Amantha Henkel
Senior Environmental Scientist
UST Enforcement Unit
Office of Enforcement

cc: (via email only)

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